## A RESOLUTION OF CONFIRMATION OF THE NEED FOR AND PARTICIPATION IN A COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING STUDY FOR THE TOWN OF PITTSBORO

WHEREAS, the Town of Pittsboro realizes the significance of a Comprehensive Transportation Plan in replacing all previous highway thoroughfare plans and in providing guidance for future transportation needs, recommendations, and decisions; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pittsboro, as a member of the Triangle Rural Planning Organization (TARPO), has informed the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) of its desire for a transportation planning study to be performed; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has contracted with Wilbur Smith Associates to develop and complete the 2011 Pittsboro Comprehensive Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Pittsboro Comprehensive Transportation Plan will include only the highway element of the planning study, and will be incorporated into the multi-modal Chatham County Comprehensive Transportation Plan at a later date; and

WHEREAS, there is a critical need to analyze the specific needs of the strategic highway corridors in Pittsboro as designated in the North Carolina Strategic Highway Vision Plan, and to recognize them in the Comprehensive Transportation Plan, specifically to designate US 15-501 as an Expressway facility south of US 64 Bypass that will adequately serve through traffic, and as a Boulevard facility north of US 64 Bypass; and

WHEREAS, the committee for the Comprehensive Transportation Plan will represent the body responsible for a consensus on the final plan, and will recommend a final plan to the Town of Pittsboro for mutual adoption, and will consist of the following members (or their designees):

Stuart Bass, Pittsboro Planning Director
William Terry, Pittsboro Town Manager
Michael Fiocco, Pittsboro Town Commissioner
Clinton Bryan, Pittsboro Town Commissioners (Alternate)
Kenneth Hoyle, Chairman, Town of Pittsboro Planning Board
Tom Vanderbeck, Chatham County Commissioner
Melissa Guilbeau, Chatham County Transportation Planner
Gia Miele, Pittsboro Merchant's Association
Paul Black, Triangle Area RPO
Sarah Lee, North Carolina Department of Transportation
William Letchworth, Wilbur Smith Associates; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) and Wilbur Smith Associates (WSA), with assistance from the Triangle Area Rural Planning Organization (TARPO) and the Town of Pittsboro, will make every effort to engage stakeholders and the public citizenry in the transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Director from the Town of Pittsboro, or his designee, is specifically responsible for relaying progress and information back to this body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Pittsboro reaffirms the need for a Comprehensive Transportation Plan and directs its representatives to participate in the planning process and assist the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Transportation Planning Branch, Wilbur Smith Associates, and the Triangle Area Rural Planning Organization (TARPO) in the comprehensive transportation planning process.

This the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of October, 2010.

TOWN OF PITTSBORO

Randolph Voller, Mayor

ATTEST

Alice F Lloyd CMC Town Clerk